

REMARKS

Drawings Objection

Please replace the drawings in the file with Replacement Sheets 1-4 that are filed herewith. These replacement drawings include figures 7a, 7b, 8, and correct Figure 6 such that it show item 280.

Information Disclosure Statement

Filed herewith is a supplemental IDS and payment of associated fee to correct the noted deficiencies with the IDS that was filed earlier.

Specification

Please replace the specification with the new copy that is filed herewith. Marked-up and clean copies are provided. The new specification addresses the issues on pages 17 and 19 that the Examiner identified in the Office Action.

Claim Rejections – 35 USC 102

Claims 9, 11, and 12 are rejected under 35 USC 102(b) as being anticipated by Goto, (US 5,561,603).

Applicant has canceled claim 9 thereby rendering its rejection moot.

Claims 11 and 12 have been amended to depend from claim 10 which has been indicated as allowable. Applicant respectfully submits that claims 11 and 12 are now in a condition for allowance for at least the same reason as claim 10.

Allowed Claims

Claims 15 and 16 are allowed.

Claims 10, 13, and 14 are indicated to be allowable as amended.

CONCLUSION

Accordingly, Applicant believes that the claims as amended overcome the raised objections and rejections and are in a condition for allowance.

Respectfully submitted,

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